POCKET MONSTERS SPECIAL
The Eighth Chapter

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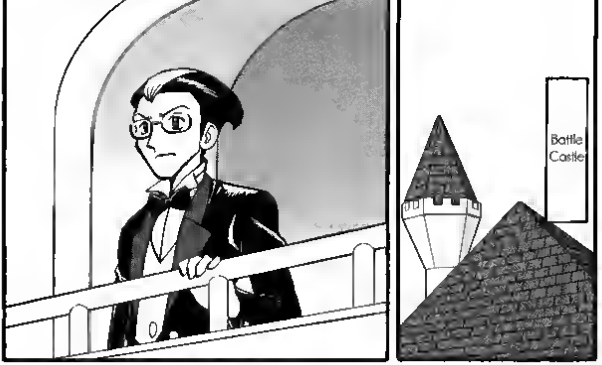
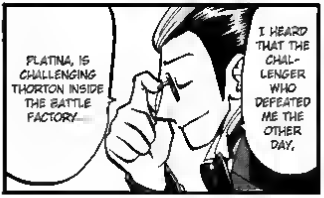
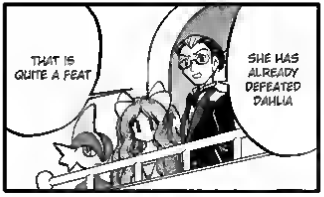

Battle Castle


I HEARD THAT THE CHALLENGER WHO DEFEATED ME THE OTHER DAY,
FLATINA, IS CHALLENGING THORTON INSIDE THE BATTLE FACTORY...

WHAT'S WRONG, DARACH? IT'S RARE TO SEE YOU STARING OUTSIDE SO INTENSELY
OH MY, LADY CAITLIN FORGIVE ME


SHE HAS ALREADY DEFEATED DAHLIA
THAT IS QUITE A FEAT

I SHARE THE SAME SENTIMENTS.

I'M AFRAID SO
IT MUST BE HARD TO NOT BE CURIOUS ABOUT THE MATCH RESULTS
I CAN REALLY HEAR THE CROWD'S CHEERS FROM HERE

I FELT ATTRACTED TO HER PERSONALITY
SHE IS NOT JUST POWERFUL AT BATTLES,
BUT SHE SEEMS TO EXUDE RESOLVE...
AFTER WATCHING HER, I WANTED TO TRY MY HAND IN POKEMON BATTLES WHICH I HAVE DISTANCED MYSELF FROM... I WANTED TO FIGHT...
I WANT TO FIGHT...
FIGHT... FIGHT...
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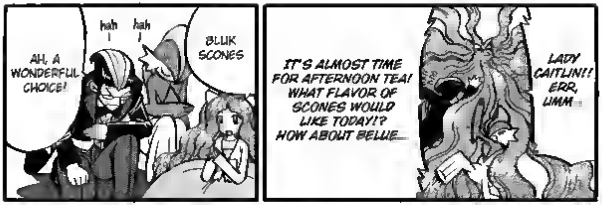
AH, A WONDERFUL CHOICE!
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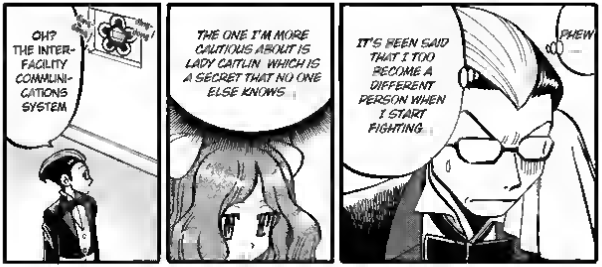
BLUK SCONES
IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR AFTERNOON TEA! WHAT FLAVOR OF SCONES WOULD LIKE TODAY!? HOW ABOUT BELLIE
LADY CAITLIN!! ERR, UMM


OH? THE INTER-FACILITY COMMUNI-CATIONS SYSTEM
THE ONE I'M MORE CAUTIOUS ABOUT IS LADY CAITLIN WHICH IS A SECRET THAT NO ONE ELSE KNOWS
IT'S BEEN SAID THAT I TOO BECOME A DIFFERENT PERSON WHEN I START FIGHTING
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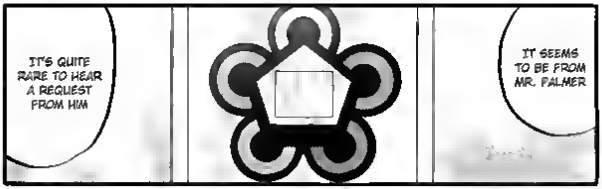
IT'S QUITE RARE TO HEAR A REQUEST FROM HIM
IT SEEMS TO BE FROM MR. PALMER

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WOW! YOU'RE QUITE GOOD!!
YOU USED "MIRACLE EYE" TO MAKE THE PSYCHIC ATTACK WORK!
I DIDN'T NOTICE AT ALL

BUT YOU KNOW,
YOU'RE NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS EXECUTED A TACTIC THAT THE OTHER SIDE HASN'T NOTICED!

KADABRA IS TAKING DAMAGE!
AH!!
TYRANITAR HASN'T MADE A MOVE YET .
THE "SAND STREAM" ABILITY !?

JACK-POT!!
THE WEATHER OF THIS FACILITY HAS BEEN CHANGED TO "SANDSTORM," JUST BECAUSE TYRANNITAR IS OUT!!
"SAND-STORM"!!

ACTUALLY, YOUR FIRST POKEMON, LOUDRED, WAS KNOCKED OUT MORE QUICKLY DUE TO THIS
WHILE THEY DON'T NOTICE ... YOU SEE
THE BLOWING SANDS WHITTLE DOWN THE POKEMON'S HP!!
HEY!! ARE YOU GOING TO SWITCH!?
DON'T YOU KNOW THAT YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE "SANDSTORM" ANYWAYS?
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU DIDN'T KNOW?
SHE SHOULD TRY TO KNOCK OUT ONE POKEMON TO BRING THIS TO 2 VS 2
LOUDRED HAS ALREADY BEEN KNOCKED OUT, LEAVING PLATINA WITH TWO RENTAL POKEMON!
HOW IGNORANT IS THAT?

I'M NOT GOING TO SWITCH !!
NO!!
Are you going to switch or not?
What are you going to do, platinum?
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JEEZ!! YOU'RE QUITE STRONG HUH!!
Kadabra's punch brings down Tyrannivar!!
IT'S DOWN FOR THE COUNT!!
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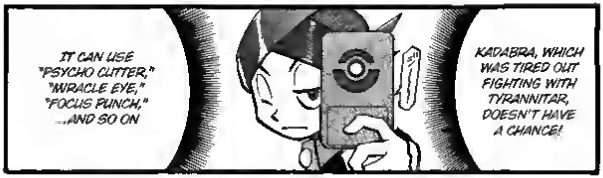
98
97
I HAVE TO FINISH IT
MAYBE MY ANALYSIS WAS INCOMPLETE AROUND 87%?
I KNOW ALL 13 STRATEGIES I CAN USE AGAINST YOU!!
OKAY! NOW I KNOW 100%, PLATINA BERLITZ!!
THIS!!
THE BEST STRATEGY IS...

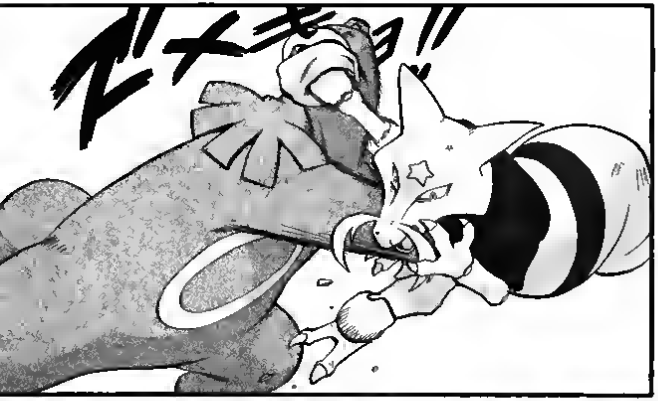
LEDIAN AGAIN?
I'LL SWITCH TO QWIL-FISH!!
"ROLL-OUT"!!
!?

YOU MUST BE SUSPICIOUS BECAUSE I CALLED BACK LEDIAN RIGHT AWAY
THIS KIND OF STRA-TEGY!!
YOU MUST BE THINKING, "WHAT KIND OF STRA-TEGY?"
BRAIN THORTON'S THIRD POKEMON, URSARING!!

"EARTH-QUAKE"!!
I'VE NEVER SEEN AN URSA-RING LIKE THIS!!
It's so fast!!
IT BE!?
COULD
AND TRANS-FERRED THE SPEED TO URSARING WITH "BATON PASS"!!
LEDIAN USED "AGILITY" TO SPEED UP,

LEDI-AN!!
GO!
KNOCKED OUT WHILE IT WAS OVERWHELMED BY THE SPEED!
WHEN LEDIAN GOT HIT BY QWILFISH, IT WAS POISONED WELL, WHATEVER
DARN
AH
Which means
BOTH OF THEM ONLY HAVE 1 POKEMON LEFT EACH!!


IT CAN USE "PSYCHO CUTTER," "MIRACLE EYE," "FOCUS PUNCH," ...AND SO ON
KADABRA, WHICH WAS TIRED OUT FIGHTING WITH TYRANNITAR, DOESN'T HAVE A CHANCE!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a boxing match!!
TH-THIS IS UNEX-PECTED!! FOR THE FINAL BATTLE, WE HAVE ..

I WIN!!
LOOKS LIKE THE MATCH IS OVER
REALLY?
I THINK THE CHALLENGER WINS,
THOR-TON

BUT THE TYPE OF THE PUNCH MATTERS MORE
IN A BOXING MATCH, THE SPEED AND POWER OF THE PUNCH CERTAINLY MATTERS.
HOW!? WHY!?
MR. PALMER!!
WHAT IF WHEN YOU THINK YOUR OPPONENT IS "PUNCHING," IT'S ACTUALLY "ABSORBING"?
ON THE OTHER HAND THE OTHER SIDE WINS, EVEN IF THEY ONLY HAVE A SLIVER OF HEALTH LEFT
IN POKEMON BATTLES, THE SIDE THAT USED UP ALL OF THEIR HP LOSES
"DRAIN PUNCH"?
...NO WAY...
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I DIDN'T LOSE AT ALL!!
I WON'T ACCEPT IT!!
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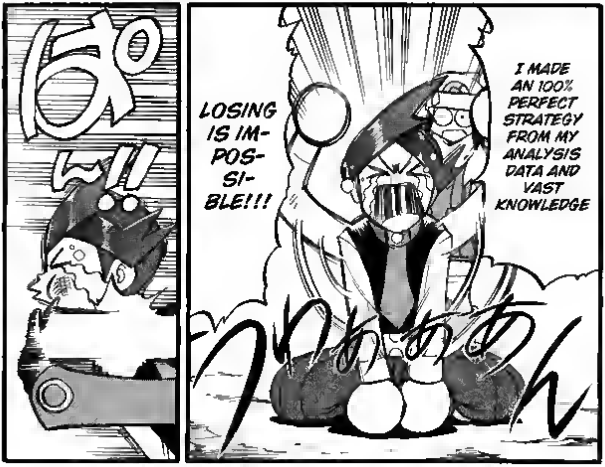
UWAAHHH!! NO!! I WON'T ACCEPT THIS!!
A MAJOR UPSET!!
She did it!!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LOSING IS IM-POS-SI-BLE!!!
I MADE AN 100% PERFECT STRATEGY FROM MY ANALYSIS DATA AND VAST KNOWLEDGE
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YES
YOU KNEW ABOUT KADABRA'S ABILITY, CORRECT?
RIGHT?
THAT'S MORE IM-POS-SI-BLE!!
BEHAVE YOURSELF!! EVEN IF YOU HAVE KNOWLEDGE, NO GOOD WILL COME OUT OF IT IF YOU DON'T USE IT PROPERLY, RIGHT!?

BAM!!
EVEN I KNOW THAT..
AH
USING RENTAL POKEMON, THAT'S THE FIRST TIME THAT I'VE EXPERIENCED THAT MYSELF
"WHEN IT USES ITS PSYCHIC POWER, IT EMITS STRONG ALPHA WAVES THAT CAN RUIN PRECISION DEVICES"
JUST FACE IT AND GIVE HER THE COMMEMORATIVE PRINT, THORTON!!
HAHA HA!!
I'VE CONCLUDED THAT IT'S A MACHINE THAT CONTROLS POKEMON AGAINST THEIR WILL
OUR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM HAS BEEN MALFUNCTIONING FOR THE PAST FEW HOURS
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
?
BUT THERE HAS ALSO BEEN A CASE OF A MACHINE MAKING POKEMON MALFUNCTION
NOW...IN THIS CASE, THE POKEMON MADE THE MACHINE MALFUNCTION,

BUT BEFORE THAT, I SHOULD INTRODUCE MYSELF
BUT NOW WE WANT TO ASK YOU
I'VE HEARD THAT YOU'VE BEEN CHALLENGING US GRAINS IN ORDER TO GAIN INFORMATION,
THE SOURCE OF THE WAVES IS IN STARK MOUNTAIN
I'M TOWER TYCOON PALMER
I'VE HEARD THAT MY SON OWES A LOT TO YOU, PLATINA BERLITZ
!?
I'M ARGENTA
COME OVER HERE AND LOOK OUTSIDE THE WINDOW MISS

BATTLE FRONTIER RULE BOOK

The five Facilities of the Battle Frontier have different kinds of Pokemon battles according to their different themes. Of course, they have very different rules. Here are various rules of each facility.

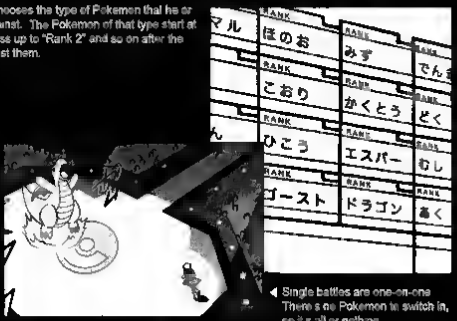
Battle Hall

In the Battle Hall, you choose your opponent's type and battle with your single favorite Pokemon species.
It's one-on-one for single battles and two-on-two for double battles.

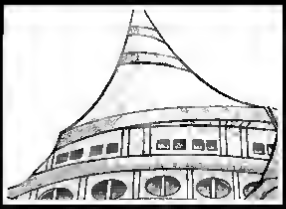
Format	Pokemon Allowed	Requirement for Rank
Single	One	17 types X 10 ranks = 170 straight victories
Double	Two (Same Species)	

Type Selection

The challenger first chooses the type of Pokemon that he or she wants to fight against. The Pokemon of that type start at "Rank 1," then progress up to "Rank 2" and so on after the challenger wins against them.



◀ Single battles are one-on-one. There's no Pokemon to switch in, so it's all or nothing.



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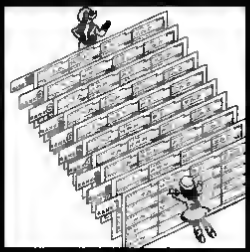
◀ It's on the right of the Battle Castle, towards the Battle Tower.

Ranks (1~10)

The ranks go up to 10. Each of the 17 types have 10 ranks the goal of the trainers who challenge this facility is to win all 17x10 battles. The number of consecutive wins are saved in the challengers' total record. Each challenger tries to see how far their chosen Pokémon's winning streak can go. Frontier Brain Kate shows up on the 170th battle. Held items are allowed.



▲ You can change which item your Pokémon holds every 10 consecutive wins.

BATTLE FRONTIER

Brain Hall Maron Argenta